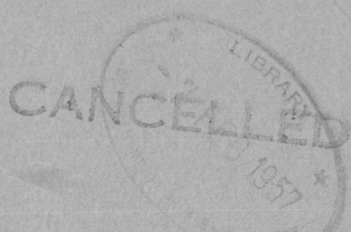


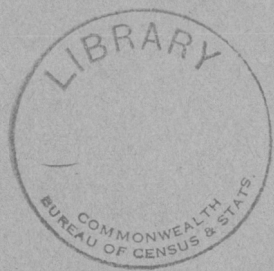
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	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,018	35,029	19,841
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	11,385	37,988	20,737
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	14,364	24,419	24,576
1952-53	734.3	266.2	1,000.5	15,090	23,156	26,554
1953-54	758.1	279.5	1,037.6	16,043	30,655	27,524
1954-55	779.2	292.5	1,071.7	17,357	29,883	29,583
1955-56	787.8	300.5	1,088.3	18,955	25,527	27,145
1955: July	776.9	293.0	1,069.9	18,454	2,198	7,187
Aug.	780.1	294.5	1,074.6		2,244	
Sept.	779.8	295.9	1,075.7		2,524	
Oct.	779.4	297.7	1,077.1	19,683	2,303	6,688
Nov.	784.1	301.5	1,085.6		2,292	
Dec.	786.1	303.4	1,089.5		1,880	
1956 : Jan.	777.3	298.5	1,075.8	18,229	1,779	6,163
Feb.	786.7	300.9	1,087.6		1,847	
Mar.	785.8	301.1	1,086.9		2,006	
Apr.	787.8	300.4	1,088.2	19,453	1,794	7,107
May	788.6	300.7	1,089.3		2,453	
June	787.8	300.5	1,088.3		2,207	
July	786.1	299.5	1,085.6	19,613	2,340	5,582
Aug.	786.6	299.2	1,085.8		2,236	
Sept.	786.8	300.1	1,086.9		2,176	
Oct.	785.2	301.0	1,086.2		2,263	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	426.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
1952-53	151,348	206.9	249.5	448.6	243.7	319.1
1953-54	144,795	277.9	249.3	483.1	281.6	339.8
1954-55	122,999	343.5	207.6	475.6	342.5	358.6
1955-56	115,699	334.2	217.2	450.8	329.7	386.7
1955: July	201	22.5	17.2	467.6	348.7	360.4
Aug.	3,317	29.3	13.2	462.4	342.7	358.9
Sept.	13,299	28.8	13.9	455.3	343.8	359.5
Oct.	12,132	29.4	17.6	460.4	348.3	362.2
Nov.	17,065	31.3	22.3	468.5	347.1	361.8
Dec.	7,113	24.3	21.6	475.4	341.3	364.1
1956: Jan.	13,795	26.9	15.6	477.5	324.3	367.3
Feb.	5,492	24.8	6.4	473.4	316.6	371.2
Mar.	14,921	30.4	23.2	473.6	315.9	374.4
Apr.	8,401	29.6	24.4	472.2	322.7	375.7
May	11,254	31.1	26.6	460.3	328.4	376.7
June	8,709	25.8	15.2	450.8	329.7	386.7
July	265	25.7	13.0	445.8	333.9	390.3
Aug.	5,881	31.2	15.8	446.0	329.0	394.7
Sept.	16,770	23.4	17.9	446.9	325.4	359.7
Oct.	19,748	24.2	27.0	455.2	325.8	403.2

\* See notes to relevant tables.

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N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	9,987†	1,948	1,168‡	1938-39: Year
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1950-51
268.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,628	1,473	1951-52
271.7	17,877	50,057	14,289	4,868	1,846	1952-53
278.9	19,351	64,993	15,011	5,450	2,086	1953-54
281.4	18,667	81,118	14,660	5,951	2,162	1954-55
280.5	18,056	82,172	14,631	6,495	2,329	1955-56
23.0	1,626	7,601	1,366	582	192	July: 1955
24.3	1,728	7,970	1,454	569	194	Aug.
22.7	1,619	8,033	1,383	533	185	Sept.
24.6	1,521	7,335	1,291	531	190	Oct.
22.6	1,583	7,513	1,329	528	188	Nov.
22.3	1,542	7,035	1,077	505	189	Dec.
23.8	1,154	4,950	638	493	193	Jan.: 1956
22.6	1,372	6,269	1,103	510	189	Feb.
23.2	1,407	7,207	1,101	542	198	Mar.
24.6	1,440	6,037	1,195	517	184	Apr.
23.4	1,566	6,531	1,369	591	214	May
23.4	1,498	5,691	1,325	594	213	June
22.7	1,618	6,327	1,444	634	226	July
21.1	1,701	6,408	1,453p	621	203	Aug.
21.6	1,512	5,542	1,289p	569	225	Sept.
24.7	1,695	6,605	1,444p	575	223	Oct.

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Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange Share Values	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : Total "C" Series Index (Sydney)*	Basic Wage, Sydney (State Awards) Adult Males *	Period
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
n.a.	175.6	35,272	100	928	81s	1938-39: Year
105	270.0	125,952	204	1504	135s	1949-50
145	334.1	192,311	244	1729	173s	1950-51
157	301.0	179,581	297	2140	216s	1951-52
152	253.1	143,909	319	2327	238s	1952-53
172	267.0	188,032	319	2384	243	1953-54
188	294.4	218,799	322	2398	243	1954-55
201	312.6	230,300	334	2493	255s	1955-56
202	325.6	21,974	333	} 2455	243	July: 1955
187	324.0	22,956	332		243	Aug.
194	317.3	16,757	333		243	Sept.
203	317.4	24,045	332		243	Oct.
216	312.8	19,357	330	} 2471	253	Nov.
214	313.9	17,017	329		253	Dec.
184	316.1	17,480	330		253	Jan.: 1956
187	314.2	19,160	329		255	Feb.
200	307.9	19,000	338	} ¶	255	Mar.
201	305.7	16,762	339		255	Apr.
218	301.1	18,352	344		256	May
204	295.5	17,440	341		256	June
215	294.4	20,256	343p	} ¶	256	July
189	300.1	19,779	344p		263	Aug.
201	305.8	16,680	347p		263	Sept.
222	308.2	22,268	344p		263	Oct.

† Estimated.

‡ Year ended 31st May.

§ Operative from February.

¶ See Table 54.

## 2. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Profession- al and Personal Services ‡	Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Em- ployment*
Thousands									
MALES									
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	529.9
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	618.5
1952: June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0	47.3	49.0	67.2	754.4
1953: June	30.1	272.2	63.3	113.5	22.2	46.2	48.8	67.1	734.3
1954: June	30.9	283.8	69.3	114.0	22.5	48.3	50.6	67.6	758.1
1955: Mar.	30.1	290.8	70.9	117.3	22.9	50.8	51.2	70.3	775.9
Apr.	30.2	290.9	71.1	117.2	23.0	50.6	50.9	70.3	776.0
May	30.2	291.6	72.2	117.1	23.0	50.3	51.0	69.8	777.3
June	30.3	291.7	72.9	117.2	23.1	50.7	50.9	70.2	779.2
July	30.4	289.8	73.3	117.4	23.0	50.1	50.9	70.0	776.9
Aug.	30.3	292.5	72.6	117.7	23.0	50.6	50.8	70.4	780.1
Sept.	30.2	292.2	72.8	117.4	23.0	50.9	50.6	70.4	779.8
1956: Mar.	28.9	294.9	74.2	116.6	23.9	51.5	51.1	72.5	785.8
Apr.	29.1	295.9	75.1	117.3	24.0	51.5	50.7	71.9	787.8
May	29.2	295.0	75.9	118.0	24.0	51.4	50.7	71.9	788.6
June	29.4	294.1	76.4	117.7	24.0	51.1	50.5	71.7	787.8
July	29.4	292.6	76.9	117.9	24.0	50.4	50.4	71.7	786.1
Aug.	29.8	292.9	76.8	117.9	23.9	50.8	50.3	71.5	786.6
Sept.	29.8	293.1	76.8	117.6	24.0	51.4	50.0	71.5	786.8
FEMALES									
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	168.0
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	49.1	242.3
1952: June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6	15.7	42.8	83.6	270.5
1953: June	0.3	86.0	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.1	41.0	82.2	266.2
1954: June	0.3	92.9	2.0	14.3	15.1	16.2	43.1	84.1	279.5
1955: Mar.	0.4	96.9	2.1	14.9	16.6	17.2	44.8	87.5	292.4
Apr.	0.3	96.1	2.1	14.9	16.7	17.4	45.0	87.6	292.1
May	0.4	96.4	2.1	15.0	16.7	17.5	45.4	87.5	293.1
June	0.3	96.5	2.1	15.1	16.8	17.4	44.8	87.3	292.5
July	0.3	96.5	2.1	15.2	16.9	17.3	45.2	87.3	293.0
Aug.	0.3	97.2	2.1	15.2	16.9	17.7	45.1	87.9	294.5
Sept.	0.3	98.0	2.1	15.2	16.9	17.6	45.5	88.2	295.9
1956: Mar.	0.3	97.6	2.2	15.7	18.6	17.8	46.1	90.5	301.1
Apr.	0.3	97.2	2.2	15.7	18.6	18.1	45.6	90.6	300.4
May	0.4	97.4	2.2	15.7	18.6	18.0	45.8	90.3	300.7
June	0.4	97.5	2.3	15.7	18.5	17.7	45.5	90.3	300.2
July	0.4	96.9	2.3	15.7	18.4	17.8	45.4	90.1	299.5
Aug.	0.3	97.1	2.3	15.7	18.4	17.8	44.8	90.4	299.2
Sept.	0.3	97.8	2.3	15.6	18.4	17.8	44.9	90.6	300.1
PERSONS									
1939: July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	697.9
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	860.8
1952: June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6	63.0	91.8	150.8	1,024.9
1953: June	30.4	358.2	65.1	127.5	36.4	61.3	89.8	149.3	1,000.5
1954: June	31.2	376.7	71.3	128.3	37.6	64.5	93.7	151.7	1,037.6
1955: Mar.	30.5	387.7	73.0	132.2	39.5	68.0	96.0	157.8	1,068.3
Apr.	30.5	387.0	73.2	132.1	39.7	68.0	95.9	157.9	1,068.1
May	30.6	388.0	74.3	132.1	39.7	67.8	96.4	157.3	1,070.4
June	30.6	388.2	75.0	132.3	39.9	68.1	95.7	157.5	1,071.7
July	30.7	386.3	75.4	132.6	39.9	67.4	96.1	157.3	1,069.9
Aug.	30.6	389.7	74.7	132.9	39.9	68.3	95.9	158.3	1,074.6
Sept.	30.5	390.2	74.9	132.6	39.9	68.5	96.1	158.6	1,075.7
1956: Mar.	29.2	392.5	76.4	132.3	42.5	69.3	97.2	163.0	1,086.9
Apr.	29.4	393.1	77.3	133.0	42.6	69.6	96.3	162.5	1,088.2
May	29.6	392.4	78.1	133.7	42.6	69.4	96.5	162.2	1,089.3
June	29.8	391.6	78.7	133.4	42.5	68.8	96.0	162.0	1,088.0
July	29.8	389.5	79.2	133.6	42.4	68.2	95.8	161.8	1,085.6
Aug.	30.1	390.0	79.1	133.6	42.3	68.6	95.1	161.9	1,085.8
Sept.	30.1	390.9	79.1	133.2	42.4	69.2	94.9	162.1	1,086.9

\* Including miscellaneous groups (72,600 males, 12,400 females, 85,000 persons in September, 1956) not shown in the table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.



### 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : June	157.1	45.1	202.2	368.0	209.3	577.3	525.1	254.4	779.5
1945 : June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1951 : June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1952 : June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
1953 : June	206.8	39.3	246.1	527.5	226.9	754.4	734.3	266.2	1,000.5
1954 : June	210.6	40.0	250.6	547.5	239.5	787.0	758.1	279.5	1,037.6
1955 : Apr.	214.4	42.0	256.4	561.6	250.1	811.7	776.0	292.1	1,068.1
May	214.5	42.2	256.7	562.8	250.9	813.7	777.3	293.1	1,070.4
June	215.2	42.3	257.5	564.0	250.2	814.2	779.2	292.5	1,071.7
July	213.3	42.4	255.7	563.6	250.6	814.2	776.9	293.0	1,069.9
Aug.	215.2	42.7	257.9	564.9	251.8	816.7	780.1	294.5	1,074.6
Sept.	214.5	42.7	257.2	565.3	253.2	818.5	779.8	295.9	1,075.7
Oct.	214.0	42.7	256.7	565.4	255.0	820.4	779.4	297.7	1,077.1
Nov.	214.0	43.2	257.2	570.1	258.3	828.4	784.1	301.5	1,085.6
Dec.	215.1	42.8	257.9	571.0	260.6	831.6	786.1	303.4	1,089.5
1956 : Jan.	214.2	43.1	257.3	563.1	255.4	818.5	777.3	298.5	1,075.8
Feb.	215.0	43.9	258.9	571.7	257.0	828.7	786.7	300.9	1,087.6
Mar.	214.9	44.0	258.9	570.9	257.1	828.0	785.8	301.1	1,086.9
Apr.	215.2	43.9	259.1	572.6	256.5	829.1	787.8	300.4	1,088.2
May	216.1	44.1	260.2	572.5	256.6	829.1	788.6	300.7	1,089.3
June	216.7	44.2	260.9	571.1	256.0	827.1	787.8	300.2	1,088.0
July	217.4	44.6	262.0	568.7	254.9	823.6	786.1	299.5	1,085.6
Aug.	217.0	44.4	261.4	569.6	254.8	824.4	786.6	299.2	1,085.8
Sept.	215.1	44.2	259.3	571.7	255.9	827.6	786.8	300.1	1,086.9

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

### 4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 628 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month									
Industrial Group	Males			Females			Persons		
	1956			1956			1956		
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Building Materials ...	13,349	13,439	13,438	1,468	1,477	1,486	14,817	14,916	14,924
Basic Metals ...	31,449	31,617	31,961	1,492	1,487	1,472	32,941	33,104	33,433
Transportation Equipment ...	18,634	18,108	17,656	1,935	1,892	1,771	20,569	20,000	19,427
Other Metal Manufacture ...	37,030	37,326	37,381	9,323	9,525	9,596	46,353	46,851	46,977
Chemicals and Allied Products ...	6,834	6,847	6,845	2,157	2,150	2,137	8,991	8,997	8,982
Clothing and Textiles ...	10,668	10,727	10,699	18,535	18,379	18,194	29,203	29,106	28,893
Food ...	13,470	13,748	13,651	5,521	5,764	5,749	18,991	19,512	19,400
All Other ...	17,542	17,630	17,752	5,227	5,319	5,227	22,769	22,949	22,979
Total—All Groups ...	148,976	149,442	149,383	45,658	45,993	45,632	194,634	195,435	195,015
Excluding Food ...	135,506	135,694	135,732	40,137	40,229	39,883	175,643	175,923	175,615

### 5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡			
				1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Sept. Qr.	15,654	16,765	18,454	19,613	16.01	16.60	17.79	18.75
1949-50	9,018	9.50	Dec. Qr.	16,753	17,918	19,683		16.87	17.53	18.83	
1950-51	11,385	11.46	Mar. Qr.	15,303	16,511	18,229		15.33	16.07	17.46	
1951-52	14,364	14.24	June Qr.	16,463	18,235	19,453		16.38	17.64	18.57	
1952-53	15,090	15.50									
1953-54	16,043	16.15									
1954-55	17,357	16.96									
1955-56	18,955	18.16									

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

### 6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit†

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
				£	£	£	£
Year: 1949-50‡	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881
1952-53	76,668	11,972	88,640	2,686,297	546,432	72,932	3,305,661
1953-54	18,854	4,599	23,453	1,247,215	697,949	132,797	2,077,961
1954-55	5,152	2,475	7,627	254,558	676,148	126,650	1,057,356
1955-56	8,126	2,591	10,717	216,400	644,464	125,394	986,258
1955: September	168	108	276	12,009	65,454	14,512	91,975
October	237	132	369	8,493	47,587	9,598	65,678
November	202	133	335	7,583	46,800	10,808	65,191
December	537	165	702	8,607	52,942	9,765	71,314
1956: January	756	125	881	14,214	53,023	13,169	80,406
February	1,620	244	1,864	16,970	45,540	9,999	72,509
March	1,072	323	1,395	27,237	48,968	7,778	83,983
April	907	242	1,149	34,030	48,719	7,409	90,158
May	781	293	1,074	29,774	58,015	9,089	96,878
June	1,294	411	1,705	30,652	53,025	8,758	92,435
July	1,316	427	1,743	30,261	49,831	8,437	88,529
August	1,633	427	2,060	52,052	67,999	11,037	131,088
September	1,765	377	2,142	42,114	53,037	8,762	103,913
October	1,286	357	1,643	48,371	56,574	10,327	115,272

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute

### 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons		Persons	
1955: September	376	331	707	3,298	732	4,737
October	360	300	660	3,129	736	4,525
November	347	298	645	3,225	731	4,601
December	649	317	966	2,864	683	4,513
1956: January	1,028	294	1,322	2,997	690	5,009
February	1,586	351	1,937	3,076	662	5,675
March	1,782	463	2,245	2,979	649	5,873
April	1,294	495	1,789	3,031	622	5,442
May	1,275	573	1,848	3,066	694	5,608
June	1,592	733	2,325	3,114	683	6,122
July	2,166	907	3,073	3,199	716	6,988
August	2,261	858	3,119	3,245	724	7,088
September	2,414	806	3,220	3,087	717	7,024
October	2,266	867	3,133	3,096	700	6,929

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number			Thousands			
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1953	1,119	138	171	309	355	385	740
1954	1,132	166	88	254	256	278	534
1955	1,146	131	192	323	208	489	697
1955 : November	76	18	24	42	27	23	50
December	17	1	2	3	4	3	7
1956 : January	38	3	17	20	6	101	107
February	74	15	13	28	24	115	139
March	96	35	14	49	41	50	91
April	41	5	10	15	6	34	40
May	61	10	14	24	15	31	46
June	52	5	12	17	5	28	33
July	61	5	15	20	9	23	32
August	91	9	15	24	21	46	67
September	67	9	5	14	17	20	37
October	72	9	2	11	17	10	27
Novem	63	8	8	16	13	5	18

Monthly particulars are approximate.

## 9. Population, Migration, Births, Deaths and Marriages, New South Wales

Period	Estimated Population at end of Period*			Net Immigration	Live Births	Total Deaths	Deaths under 1 Year	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons					
Year : 1948	1,523,810	1,524,496	3,048,306	16,235	67,234	30,403	2,037	30,164
1949	1,579,257	1,570,549	3,149,806	69,903	68,812	29,364	1,878	28,757
1950	1,627,618	1,613,439	3,241,057	58,399	71,592	30,965	1,936	30,036
1951	1,667,566	1,647,106	3,314,672	41,010	72,069	31,932	1,895	30,341
1952	1,695,899	1,672,087	3,367,986	18,043	74,196	32,038	1,818	29,351
1953	1,713,639	1,695,370	3,409,009	4,578	74,890	31,707	1,846	27,573
1954	1,738,385	1,723,928	3,462,313	15,977	73,125	32,444	1,850	27,503
1955	1,770,966	1,754,957	3,525,923	21,756	74,407	32,553	1,850	27,645
1953 : Dec. Qr.	1,713,639	1,695,370	3,409,009	6,950	18,510	7,922	485	7,524
1954 : Mar. Qr.	1,717,596	1,699,113	3,416,709	(-) 1,885	18,123	6,854	442	7,145
June Qr.	1,720,860	1,702,669	3,423,529	(-) 1,949	18,607	8,168	488	6,926
Sept. Qr.	1,728,003	1,711,157	3,439,160	7,302	18,326	9,997	485	5,989
Dec. Qr.	1,738,385	1,723,928	3,462,313	12,509	18,069	7,425	435	7,443
1955 : Mar. Qr.	1,747,737	1,732,093	3,479,830	5,772	18,639	6,894	447	6,900
June Qr.	1,753,041	1,737,290	3,490,331	464	18,511	8,474	470	7,293
Sept. Qr.	1,760,819	1,744,281	3,505,100	5,072	19,404	9,707	494	5,905
Dec. Qr.	1,770,966	1,754,957	3,525,923	10,448	17,853	7,478	439	7,547
1956 : Mar. Qr.	1,780,808	1,763,327	3,544,135	6,791	18,526	7,105	394	7,082
June Qr.	1,785,243	1,768,189	3,553,432	(-) 1,446	19,244	8,501	458	7,132

(-) Denotes net emigration.

\* Adjusted in accordance with the final results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

The Estimated Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) at 30th June, 1956, was 1,935,880 persons.

## 10. Mean Population of N.S.W. : Financial and Calendar Years\*

Year	Year ended 30th June			Year ended 31st December		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1948	1,500,934	1,500,728	3,001,662	1,510,297	1,509,761	3,020,058
1949	1,525,112	1,523,939	3,049,051	1,548,916	1,544,361	3,093,277
1950	1,577,252	1,568,447	3,145,699	1,602,498	1,590,710	3,193,208
1951	1,626,328	1,612,078	3,238,406	1,648,264	1,631,151	3,279,415
1952	1,665,975	1,645,865	3,311,840	1,682,305	1,659,171	3,341,476
1953	1,695,042	1,671,316	3,366,358	1,704,209	1,682,347	3,386,556
1954	1,712,508	1,692,906	3,405,414	1,723,012	1,705,476	3,428,488
1955	1,737,803	1,721,735	3,459,538	1,754,138	1,738,247	3,492,385
1956	1,770,560	1,753,819	3,524,379			

\* Adjusted in accordance with the final results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

## BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note 1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

### II. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Area of State

Period	Private	Government	Private and Government				
			Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Total, N.S.W.	Total, N.S.W.	Metropolis †	Balance†	Total		
			£ thousand				
Year : 1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656
1953	90,224	21,361	49,526	22,499	72,025	39,560	111,585
1954	110,448	20,051	80,702	3,267	83,969	46,530	130,499
1955	118,520	38,721	99,989	9,782	109,771	47,470	157,241
1955 : Jan.—Sept.	90,947	28,764	74,381	8,375	82,756	36,955	119,711
1956 : Jan.—Sept.	88,860	26,749	73,318	9,033	82,351	33,258	115,609
1955 : July	9,844	1,445	6,996	252	7,248	4,041	11,289
August	12,770	6,298	10,020	5,084	15,104	3,964	19,068
September	10,164	4,925	9,364	973	10,337	4,752	15,089
1956 : July	9,776	1,819	8,012	351	8,363	3,232	11,595
August	9,515	1,244	7,024	369	7,393	3,366	10,759
September	8,640	5,242	7,910	273	8,183	5,699	13,882

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined. † Metropolis enlarged on 1st January, 1954, by transfer of 425 sq. miles from "Balance of Cumberland." Figures since January, 1954, are not comparable with those for earlier periods.

### 12. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND							
Year : 1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1953	49,258	973	1,324	2,608	4,762	13,100	72,025
1954	51,887	796	1,638	5,574	10,492	13,582	83,969
1955	52,846	1,703	2,060	4,131	20,528	28,503	109,771
1955 : Jan.—Sept.	39,972	1,168	1,773	3,166	17,953	18,724	82,756
1956 : Jan.—Sept.	38,193	1,452	2,466	3,602	15,924	20,714	82,351
1955 : July	4,071	158	78	309	1,522	1,110	7,248
August	4,466	89	248	370	5,344	4,587	15,104
September	5,156	292	224	272	2,520	1,833	10,337
1956 : July	4,809	122	195	541	985	1,711	8,363
August	4,614	93	155	302	634	1,595	7,393
September	4,370	273	45	226	655	2,614	8,183

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Year : 1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1953	78,294	1,632	2,184	4,155	5,475	19,845	111,585
1954	82,210	1,612	3,346	7,726	12,064	23,541	130,499
1955	81,651	2,309	3,945	6,235	23,223	39,878	157,241
1955 : Jan.—Sept.	62,334	1,662	3,171	4,745	20,123	27,676	119,711
1956 : Jan.—Sept.	57,548	1,847	3,770	4,929	18,417	29,098	115,609
1955 : July	6,603	212	254	551	1,769	1,900	11,289
August	6,981	119	273	553	5,502	5,640	19,068
September	7,512	357	468	375	2,737	3,640	15,089
1956 : July	7,218	179	284	683	1,028	2,203	11,595
August	6,868	163	235	437	836	2,220	10,759
September	6,387	305	155	327	1,959	4,749	13,882

\* New buildings, alterations and additions combined.



### 13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *
PRIVATE												
Year : 1950 †	31,020	19,437	15,866	23,358	1,364	744	634	907	32,384	20,181	16,500	24,265
1951	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442†	1,091	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291†
1952	17,827	18,449	19,634	27,257†	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,378	27,786†
1953	23,103	20,324	21,051	26,530†	393	306	555	271	23,496	20,630	21,606	26,801†
1954	24,254	22,205	22,145	26,590†	499	531	412	384	24,753	22,736	22,557	26,974†
1955	23,173	21,606	23,455	24,741†	651	499	406	451	23,824	22,105	23,861	25,192†
1954 : Sept. Qr.	6,868	5,567	5,681	27,066†	111	161	66	449	6,979	5,728	5,747	27,515†
Dec. Qr.	6,169	5,439	5,915	26,590†	148	125	188	384	6,317	5,564	6,103	26,974†
1955 : Mar. Qr.	5,514	5,217	5,350	26,457†	111	60	93	337	5,625	5,277	5,443	26,794†
June Qr.	6,144	5,398	6,285	25,570†	159	105	87	351	6,303	5,503	6,372	25,921†
Sept. Qr.	5,984	5,592	6,139	25,023†	210	146	111	384	6,194	5,738	6,250	25,407†
Dec. Qr.	5,531	5,399	5,681	24,741†	171	188	115	451	5,702	5,587	5,796	25,192†
1956 : Mar. Qr.	5,167	5,148	5,333	24,556†	139	176	113	510	5,306	5,324	5,446	25,066†
June Qr.	5,241	4,923	5,454	24,025†	222	172	98	584	5,463	5,095	5,552	24,609†
Sept. Qr.	5,613	5,053	4,579	24,499†	234	145	145	582	5,847	5,198	4,724	25,081†

GOVERNMENT												
Year : 1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	505	815	335	1,269	4,414	4,554	3,788	6,044
1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-) 25	236	635	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1953	6,232	5,071	4,547	3,175	348	148	1,000	211	6,580	5,219	5,547	3,386
1954	4,511	5,448	6,031	2,592	265	422	273	360	4,776	5,870	6,304	2,952
1955	3,398	3,697	3,958	2,331	283	261	276	345	3,681	3,958	4,234	2,676
1954 : Sept. Qr.	1,238	1,322	1,614	3,356	63	24	36	312	1,301	1,346	1,650	3,668
Dec. Qr.	1,129	1,001	1,765	2,592	93	146	98	360	1,222	1,147	1,863	2,952
1955 : Mar. Qr.	307	701	1,068	2,225	9	24	98	286	316	725	1,166	2,511
June Qr.	1,679	857	1,204	1,878	141	137	35	388	1,820	994	1,239	2,266
Sept. Qr.	700	1,257	861	2,274	72	48	76	360	772	1,305	937	2,634
Dec. Qr.	712	882	825	2,331	61	52	67	345	773	934	892	2,676
1956 : Mar. Qr.	296	523	658	2,196	30	58	59	344	326	581	717	2,540
June Qr.	979	713	1,418	1,491	12	39	137	246	991	752	1,555	1,737
Sept. Qr.	845	851	755	1,587	60	...	103	143	905	851	858	1,730

PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT												
Year : 1950†	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133	1,869	1,559	969	2,176	36,798	24,735	20,288	30,309
1951	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412†	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723†
1952	18,670	21,380	24,884	29,908†	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	26,263	31,500†
1953	29,335	25,395	25,598	29,705†	741	454	1,555	482	30,076	25,849	27,153	30,187†
1954	28,765	27,653	28,176	29,182†	764	953	685	744	29,529	28,606	28,861	29,926†
1955	26,571	25,303	27,413	27,072†	934	760	682	796	27,505	26,063	28,095	27,868†
1954 : Sept. Qr.	8,106	6,889	7,295	30,422†	174	185	102	761	8,280	7,074	7,397	31,183†
Dec. Qr.	7,298	6,440	7,680	29,182†	241	271	286	744	7,539	6,711	7,966	29,926†
1955 : Mar. Qr.	5,821	5,918	6,418	28,682†	120	84	191	623	5,941	6,002	6,609	29,305†
June Qr.	7,823	6,255	7,489	27,448†	300	242	122	739	8,123	6,497	7,611	28,187†
Sept. Qr.	6,684	6,849	7,000	27,297†	282	194	187	744	6,966	7,043	7,187	28,041†
Dec. Qr.	6,243	6,281	6,506	27,072†	232	240	182	796	6,475	6,521	6,688	27,868†
1956 : Mar. Qr.	5,463	5,671	5,991	26,752†	169	234	172	854	5,632	5,905	6,163	27,606†
June Qr.	6,220	5,636	6,872	25,516†	234	211	235	830	6,454	5,847	7,107	26,346†
Sept. Qr.	6,458	5,904	5,334	26,086†	294	145	248	725	6,752	6,049	5,582	26,811†

\* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.  
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows:—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.													
Private	1955	1,584	1,954	2,087	1,849	2,196	2,258	1,969	2,054	2,171	2,029	2,019	1,654
	1956	1,609	1,823	1,874	1,539	2,117	1,807	2,050	1,998	1,799	1,827		
Gov'tment	1955	112	66	138	429	438	953	229	190	353	274	273	226
	1956	170	24	132	255	336	400	290	238	377	436		
Total	1955	1,696	2,020	2,225	2,278	2,634	3,211	2,198	2,244	2,524	2,303	2,292	1,880
	1956	1,779	1,847	2,006	1,794	2,453	2,207	2,340	2,236	2,176	2,263		

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

### 14. New South Wales Government Railways: Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Earnings*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons		£ thousand	
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122†	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1952-53	271,698	17,877	72,676	66,452	6,224
1953-54	278,904	19,351	74,569	67,397	7,172
1954-55	281,417	18,667	73,361	68,397	4,964
1955-56	280,470	18,056	75,386	74,904	482
1955: July-Oct.	94,613	6,495	25,564	23,872	1,692
1956: July-Oct.	90,191	6,526	27,562	25,832	1,730
1955: July	22,991	1,626	5,868	5,686	182
August	24,274	1,728	6,613	6,155	458
September	22,735	1,620	6,718	6,011	707
October	24,613	1,521	6,365	6,020	345
1956: July	22,728	1,618	6,334	6,415	(-) 81
August	21,150	1,701	7,044	6,557	487
September	21,628	1,512	6,882	6,345	537
October	24,685	1,695	7,302	6,515	787

\* Excludes grants from Consolidated Revenue (£1,800,000 in 1955-56). † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included. ‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

### 15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses: Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(-) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(-) 929
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(-) 2,617
1952-53	5,690	5,836	11,526	14,240	(-) 2,714
1953-54	5,542	6,033	11,575	13,631	(-) 2,056
1954-55	5,227	6,248	11,475	13,657	(-) 2,182
1955-56	4,704	6,363	11,067	14,017	(-) 2,950
1955: July-Sept.	1,185	1,637	2,822	3,494	(-) 672
1956: July-Sept.	1,458	2,084	3,542	3,606	(-) 64
1955: July	409	543	952	1,176	(-) 224
August	405	541	946	1,187	(-) 241
September	371	553	924	1,131	(-) 207
1956: July	480	690	1,170	1,196	(-) 26
August	490	706	1,196	1,212	(-) 16
September.	488	688	1,176	1,198	(-) 22

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£1,106,005 in year 1954-55).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

### 16. Port of Sydney: Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1951-52	4,236	1,155	903	533	1,837	116	6,976	1,804
1952-53	2,452	1,255	871	675	1,881	92	5,204	2,022
1953-54	3,166	1,433	948	798	2,028	62	6,142	2,293
1954-55	3,687	1,331	987	700	2,000	45	6,674	2,077
1955-56	3,109	1,529	1,073	573	2,282	26	6,464	2,128
1955: Sept. Qr.	800	350	306	188	591	...	1,697	538
Dec. Qr.	853	365	276	149	650	2	1,779	516
1956: Mar. Qr.	697	302	218	104	464	17	1,379	423
June Qr.	759	513	273	132	576	6	1,608	651
Sept. Qr.	682	340	257	139	636	3	1,575	482

## 17. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1953 : June	360,573	3,417	4,471	199,870	568,331	45,100	34,173	11,413	659,017
1954 : June	393,951	3,457	4,446	210,142	611,996	42,451	37,853	13,136	705,436
1955 : June	437,372	3,566	4,524	223,676	669,138	39,787	42,356	15,304	766,585
1956 : June	478,833	3,586	4,564	238,823	725,806	37,039	48,117	17,819	828,781
1955 : July	441,182	3,573	4,534	225,137	674,426	39,443	42,615	15,510	771,994
Aug.	445,566	3,567	4,540	226,400	680,073	39,235	43,030	15,727	778,065
Sept.	450,133	3,575	4,557	227,963	686,228	39,107	43,483	15,920	784,738
Oct.	454,170	3,583	4,565	229,311	691,629	39,051	43,974	16,210	790,864
1956 : July	481,158	3,576	4,566	239,801	729,101	36,794	48,256	17,905	832,056
Aug.	484,149	3,582	4,596	240,683	733,010	36,703	48,791	18,267	836,771
Sept.	486,888	3,588	4,614	241,706	736,796	36,721	49,344	18,454	841,315
Oct.	489,977	3,596	4,629	243,727	741,929	36,780	49,949	18,719	847,377

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

## 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1952-53	30,989	509	123	18,436	50,057	3,042	5,653	58,752
1953-54	43,174	445	117	21,257	64,993	2,964	6,216	74,173
1954-55	55,944	339	59	24,776	81,118	3,437	7,544	92,099
1955-56	55,773	468	18	25,913	82,172	2,971	8,237	93,380
1955 : July-Oct.	21,601	151	7	9,180	30,939	1,042	2,466	34,447
1956 : July-Oct.	16,910	138	17	7,817	24,882	902	2,580	28,364
1955 : July	5,275	31	3	2,292	7,601	255	517	8,373
Aug.	5,671	31	1	2,267	7,970	250	644	8,864
Sept.	5,630	48	2	2,353	8,033	271	652	8,956
Oct.	5,025	41	1	2,268	7,335	266	653	8,254
1956 : July	4,103	46	6	2,172	6,327	209	549	7,085
Aug.	4,484	39	4	1,881	6,408	234	669	7,311
Sept.	3,779	30	3	1,730	5,542	188	595	6,325
Oct.	4,544	23	4	2,034	6,605	271	767	7,643

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

## 19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.				Number
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1952-53	32.3	50.1	14.5	3.1	30,989	18.8	49.8	29.4	2.0	18,436
1953-54	29.3	53.1	14.2	3.4	43,174	19.8	49.0	29.2	2.0	21,257
1954-55	25.8	57.4	10.8	6.0	55,944	24.1	47.3	25.6	3.0	24,776
1955-56	28.5	49.9	12.3	9.3	55,773	23.8	45.5	26.2	4.5	25,913
1955 : July-Oct.	26.5	53.3	11.7	8.5	21,601	24.3	48.0	24.3	3.4	9,180
1956 : July-Oct.	38.8	42.6	6.2	12.4	16,910	26.9	41.4	26.0	5.7	7,817
1955 : July	26.4	59.2	6.6	7.8	5,275	24.6	51.0	21.1	3.3	2,292
Aug.	26.3	52.1	13.2	8.4	5,671	25.5	49.2	21.5	3.8	2,267
Sept.	26.9	51.8	13.1	8.3	5,630	24.0	47.8	25.7	2.5	2,353
Oct.	26.7	49.9	13.9	9.5	5,025	23.0	43.9	29.0	4.1	2,268
1956 : July	34.3	46.2	6.2	13.3	4,103	24.7	44.4	26.0	4.9	2,172
Aug.	46.3	37.6	4.5	11.6	4,484	23.0	45.3	24.9	6.8	1,881
Sept.	39.6	42.4	5.3	12.7	3,779	28.1	39.4	26.8	5.7	1,730
Oct.	35.1	44.1	8.7	12.1	4,544	31.8	36.4	26.1	5.7	2,034

## 20. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks	Last Day of Period (1956 Dates)	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Thousand tons								
1st*	Jan. 21	714	442	622	604	605	304	291
2nd	Feb. 18	952	876	1,134	1,135	1,151	1,194	1,037
3rd	Mar. 17	932	888	1,292	1,139	1,217	1,036	1,046
4th	Apr. 14	925	1,052	1,158	1,008	1,134	1,098	1,018
5th	May 12	1,013	980	1,171	931	1,119	1,164	1,146
6th	June 9	1,038	1,052	1,147	999	1,285	1,222	1,196
7th	July 7	923	1,168	1,236	1,052	1,155	1,203	1,317
8th	Aug. 4	961	1,158	1,177	1,309	1,201	1,295	1,333
9th	Sept. 1	1,144	1,174	1,240	1,247	1,221	1,249	1,269p
10th	Sept. 29	1,051	1,205	1,287	1,242	1,246	1,274	1,314p
11th	Oct. 27	1,120	1,255	1,267	1,232	1,257	1,246	1,278p
12th	Nov. 24	1,093	1,222	1,272	1,284	1,211	1,202	1,281p
13th*	Dec. 22	932	1,041	1,019	992	1,281	1,249	1,302p
Year : Underground		11,197	11,224	12,492	12,452	13,703	13,835	14,019p
Open Cut ...		1,601	2,289	2,530	1,722	1,380	901	809p
Total ...		12,798	13,513	15,022	14,174	15,083	14,736	14,828p

## FORTY-EIGHT WEEKS ENDED—

	Dec. 2	Dec. 1	Nov. 29	Nov. 28	Nov. 27	Nov. 26	Nov. 24
Northern District ...	7,722	7,906	8,995	8,412	8,739	8,500	8,354p
Southern District ...	2,227	2,334	2,564	2,785	3,068	3,278	3,660p
Western District ...	1,917	2,232	2,444	1,985	1,995	1,709	1,512p
Underground ...	10,411	10,398	11,624	11,549	12,523	12,629	12,785p
Open Cut ...	1,455	2,074	2,379	1,633	1,279	858	741p
Total ...	11,866	12,472	14,003	13,182	13,802	13,487	13,526p

\*Miners' mid-summer holidays:

	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1955.	1956.
In 1st Period ...	{N-1 wk. S & W-2 wks.}	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	3 weeks	3 weeks
In 13th Period	1 week	1 week	1 week	1 week	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.

## 21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
January	100	221	235	251	252	275	281	299
February	100	241	240	258	263	277	297	318
March	100	238	235	253	264	285	298	308
April	100	226	243	249	256	273	281	306
May	100	237	240	253	261	286	300	320
June	100	232	245	250	274	300	313	332
July	100	214	253	254	276	296	311	333
August	100	234	255	248	273	296	311	337
September	100	236	248	251	276	304	305	330
October	100	238	255	254	279	294	299	325
November	100	246	265	256	283	303	313	329
December	100	236	246	265	282	299	305	
Year	100	233	247	253	270	291	302	



## MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1954-55 are final, but all figures from July, 1955, are subject to revision.

## 22. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham *	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables	Ice Cream
	Thousand lb.							Thous. gal.
Year: 1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130	7,711
1951-52	52,501	4,469	38,577	27,911 <sup>‡</sup>	29,260	48,106	37,823	7,937
1952-53	83,076	7,084	54,451	29,509	20,095	37,118	35,880	5,322
1953-54	66,557	7,191	50,233	26,499	23,800	52,592	19,603	5,525
1954-55	86,661	5,617	26,580	26,218	22,377	46,867	22,967	6,050
1955-56p	91,984	7,595	39,691	25,392	22,769	40,567	32,704	6,230
1955: July-Oct.	23,881	1,942	12,985	8,391	7,049	1,918	7,021	1,717
1956: July-Oct.	20,657	2,351	14,032	7,131	7,031	1,018	6,895	1,812
1955: July	3,302	264	1,800	1,972	1,604	488	1,850	254
August	4,514	379	3,197	2,227	2,602	302	1,511	385
September	6,443	544	3,985	2,182	1,813	542	1,168	548
October	9,622	755	4,003	2,010	1,030	586	2,492	530
1956: July	3,098	388	2,625	1,623	1,673	161	1,362	280
August	4,231	435	3,226	1,845	2,619	258	2,139	434
September	5,148	614	3,678	1,624	1,575	260	1,486	468
October	8,180	914	4,503	2,039	1,164	339	1,908	630

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †	Confectionery		Beer
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.	Thous. lb.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year: 1950-51	677,682	112,744	146,879	179,891	67,725	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52	563,325	97,733	131,498	203,440	76,732	23,243	36,894	66,799
1952-53	521,957	84,221	125,575	198,345	73,432	20,829	35,673	72,672
1953-54	581,547	91,374	135,115	194,737	73,543	21,803	33,963	79,943
1954-55	561,233	96,036	126,605	216,557	73,090	19,797	35,981	88,081
1955-56p	548,880	86,285	119,030	246,289	76,478	21,195	36,551	94,782
1955: July-Oct.	174,323	27,062	36,350	87,144	27,152	7,042	13,004	30,907
1956: July-Oct.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	110,806	25,887	7,466	14,193	29,205
1955: July	45,240	6,602	9,393	22,652	7,166	2,205	2,927	6,579
August	41,734	6,317	8,789	22,830	6,780	2,001	3,266	7,253
September	39,697	6,366	8,166	21,959	7,270	1,584	3,161	8,113
October	47,652	7,777	10,002	19,703	5,936	1,252	3,650	8,962
1956: July	48,303	7,381	10,663	26,743	6,197	2,068	3,310	6,276
August	54,269	8,300	11,679	28,112	7,419	1,903	3,518	6,902
September	55,899	8,890	12,469	28,731	6,037	1,675	3,273	6,983
October	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	27,220	6,234	1,820	4,092	9,044

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ From July, 1951, the production of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

## 23. Production of Metals, Coal and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year: 1950-51	52,714	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	19,444	4,241
1951-52	40,761	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	20,537	4,628
1952-53	32,040	14,289	1,866	1,541	1,846	20,216	4,868
1953-54	31,913	15,011	1,987	1,621	2,086	20,802	5,450
1954-55	27,750	14,660	2,029	1,669	2,162	21,360	5,951
1955-56p	30,159	14,631	2,053	1,777	2,329	21,873	6,495
1955: July-Oct.	10,840	5,494	655	568	761	7,915	2,215
1956: July-Oct.	9,475	5,630	759	585	877	8,305	2,399
1955: July	2,668	1,366	169	142	192	2,211	582
August	2,920	1,454	166	143	194	2,086	569
September	2,712	1,383	158	136	185	1,854	533
October	2,540	1,291	162	147	190	1,764	531
1956: July	1,862	1,444	189	158	226	2,252	634
August	2,597	1,453	189	132	203	2,187	621
September	2,370	1,289	185	159	225	1,979	569
October	2,646	1,444	196	136	223	1,887	575

\* Monthly totals are approximate.

## 24. Production of Textiles and Clothing

Period	Yarn				Woven Cloth			
	Woollen (Pure)	Worsted (Pure)	Cotton (Pure)	Other Yarn	Woollen (Pure)	Worsted (Pure)	Cotton (Pure)	Other Cloth
	Thousand lb.				Thousand sq. yds.			
Year : 1950-51	3,839	8,218	16,346	n.a.	2,321	10,929	13,044	8,019
1951-52	3,186	6,457	15,700	219	1,176	9,281	13,093	6,890
1952-53	2,425	6,295	14,043	1,403	1,872	7,802	11,154	8,507
1953-54	3,287	5,976	18,161	4,215	1,188	8,553	15,508	11,828
1954-55	3,020	6,009	19,168	8,484	1,260	7,394	15,974	9,143
1955-56p	3,066	5,867	19,253	12,037	1,013	7,397	16,787	9,178
1955: July-October	1,035	2,075	6,709	3,921	311	2,755	5,755	2,852
1956: July-October	975	2,094	7,162	4,863	419	2,470	5,842	4,338
1955: July	241	494	1,679	969	77	671	1,468	824
August	269	576	1,792	975	87	766	1,451	738
September	304	509	1,640	983	72	688	1,400	643
October	221	496	1,598	994	75	630	1,436	647
1956: July	236	476	1,761	1,140	97	601	1,511	1,040
August	262	520	1,854	1,253	110	646	1,420	1,022
September	222	485	1,652	1,174	108	553	1,379	1,108
October	255	613	1,895	1,296	104	670	1,532	1,168

Period	Hosiery		Corsets (incl. roll-on girdles)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes and Sandals*	Slippers	
	Women's, Maids' and Girls'	Other			Dress	Work*			
	Dozen pairs		Dozen		Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs		
Year :	1950-51	465,854	423,477	46,880	168,814	14,277	125,834	6,287	2,755
	1951-52	463,596	376,536	48,120	163,163	15,362	151,555	6,675	2,465
	1952-53	565,016	337,153	40,970	148,727	21,761	112,503	6,229	2,461
	1953-54	610,178	442,305	57,020	178,604	27,740	147,326	7,272	2,978
	1954-55	641,205	415,010	50,398	159,144	14,707	184,009	7,008	2,098
	1955-56p	595,696	365,107	57,333	164,339	17,073	192,335	6,828	2,296
1955: July-October		183,136	124,815	18,261	54,849	5,764	78,169	2,545	880
1956: July-October		230,487	157,754	19,002	52,071	7,418	63,657	2,833	710
1955: July		40,938	33,381	3,234	11,888	1,366	16,470	559	207
August		42,353	34,056	5,672	15,710	1,497	26,456	696	220
September		48,504	29,422	4,449	13,581	1,509	17,839	674	226
October		51,341	27,956	4,906	13,670	1,392	17,404	616	227
1956: July		56,202	37,645	3,486	12,128	1,784	13,894	655	140
August		56,567	41,529	6,337	14,546	1,790	14,895	748	183
September		52,419	36,057	4,102	11,364	1,985	16,455	684	182
October		65,299	42,523	5,077	14,033	1,859	18,413	746	205

Period	Men's and Youths' Outer Clothing					Cardigans, Pullovers (Knitted)	
	3-Piece Suits	2-Piece Suits	Sports Coats and Blazers	Sports Trousers	Overcoats and Raincoats†	Men's, Youths' and Boys'	Women's, Maids' and Girls'
	Number					Dozen	
Year : 1950-51	116,836	301,805	253,808	1,314,067	135,243	78,434	95,164
1951-52	69,491	273,081	205,672	1,127,600	129,793	66,579	101,258
1952-53	43,466	241,402	173,653	947,725	93,945	56,828	89,279
1953-54	35,026	282,435	251,748	1,168,169	70,117	89,409	139,990
1954-55	33,294	285,979	277,077	1,210,723	50,603	94,462	138,950
1955-56p	19,735	301,849	248,492	1,363,750	52,570	86,497	135,147
1955: July-Oct.	8,113	108,715	83,806	471,571	14,067	17,482	41,335
1956: July-Oct.	5,843	102,267	98,173	452,305	13,015	22,764	49,165
1955: July	2,197	25,699	17,652	103,280	4,039	4,826	12,274
August	1,928	28,838	19,861	124,089	3,092	3,985	10,783
September	2,010	28,366	24,727	127,129	3,702	4,455	9,641
October	1,978	25,812	21,566	117,073	3,234	4,216	8,637
1956: July	1,272	23,480	21,247	109,555	3,703	6,037	11,122
August	1,636	27,568	26,393	115,522	4,358	5,038	13,866
September	1,482	23,828	24,231	106,206	3,033	4,345	12,010
October	1,453	27,391	26,302	121,022	1,921	7,344	12,167

\* Excluding articles of rubber. † Excluding plastic raincoats.

## 25. Production of Building Materials

Period	Sawn Timber (Native) *	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement	Paints	
			Terra Cotta	Cement				Ready- Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands			Thousand sq. yds.	Tons	Thousand gal.		
Year: 1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	9,777	4,963	613,425	2,577	1,575
1951-52	380.6	354,545	22,765	20,273	10,545	4,962	594,276	2,598	1,771
1952-53	347.3	300,328	28,034	5,692	9,384	4,616	670,644	2,078	1,725
1953-54	370.3	375,593	30,431	8,484	9,746	5,445	726,053	2,363	2,288
1954-55	372.9	382,902	29,778	10,153	10,477	6,036	815,603	2,761	2,932
1955-56p	375.4	372,604	29,768	11,983	10,057	5,351	805,400	2,900	3,067
1955: July-Oct.	143.7	138,495	10,544	3,395	3,564	1,915	281,687	970	1,079
1956: July-Oct.	n.y.a.	128,386	10,301	3,189	3,319	1,775	306,103	1,036	991
1955: July	32.7	33,116	2,264	861	976	472	66,662	213	222
August	33.0	36,966	2,843	821	861	488	66,203	244	265
September	42.4	34,292	2,729	894	803	488	72,468	252	287
October	35.6	34,121	2,708	819	924	467	76,354	261	305
1956: July	28.6	32,643	2,443	628	725	432	68,801	220	210
August	32.4	31,456	2,634	729	836	453	76,248	264	254
September	35.6	30,722	2,497	850	913	430	76,103	269	250
October	n.y.a.	33,565	2,727	982	845	460	84,951	283	277

## 26. Production of Household Appliances

Period	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Coppers (Gas and Electric)	Sink Heaters (Gas and Electric)	Bath Heaters (All Types)	Hot Water Systems (Storage— All Types)
	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric					
			Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers				
Number								
Year: 1950-51	14,183	26,933	16,623	38,074	48,928	10,333	68,273	29,775
1951-52	15,214	25,232	17,022	26,290	41,686	13,537	62,492	28,707
1952-53	11,316	17,556	8,137	17,522	23,375	6,800	47,523	18,170
1953-54	13,582	22,729	13,263	20,150	n.a.	8,351	49,511	25,418
1954-55	13,235	n.a.	23,015	18,038	26,552	10,213	50,680	26,725
1955-56p	12,302	20,813	26,093	16,273	24,465	10,330	47,645	25,646
1955: July-Oct.	5,158	10,496	9,583	5,738	8,996	4,055	19,003	10,064
1956: July-Oct.	4,223	9,741	11,168	8,009	7,679	3,582	15,499	9,522
1955: July	1,183	3,252	2,360	1,374	2,109	980	4,215	2,359
August	1,395	2,793	2,654	1,597	2,275	999	6,313	2,931
September	1,331	2,295	2,348	1,099	2,501	1,244	4,802	2,579
October	1,249	2,156	2,221	1,668	2,111	832	3,673	2,195
1956: July	925	2,257	2,593	1,438	1,849	953	4,842	2,277
August	1,120	2,682	2,871	2,211	2,282	927	3,433	2,443
September	979	2,229	2,702	2,087	1,429	841	3,472	2,253
October	1,199	2,573	3,002	2,273	2,119	861	3,752	2,549

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Electric Clothes Washing Machines (Domestic)	Electric Toasters	Wireless Cabinets	Radios			Radiograms
					Portable	Car	Mantel, Table and Console	
Number								
Year: 1950-51	113,603	19,163	70,676	276,682	.....	197,026	.....	60,616
1951-52	101,195	23,097	107,448	227,014	.....	165,511	.....	45,655
1952-53	91,717	14,669	47,049	156,739	.....	56,299r	.....	40,787
1953-54	159,287	43,815	70,461	265,503	.....	79,686r	.....	60,196
1954-55	171,641	71,617	75,134	277,993	63,022	30,757r	.....	66,592
1955-56p	154,504	74,011	92,642	251,394	48,447	35,716r	.....	63,115
1955: July-Oct.	63,061	24,622	29,825	87,941	12,347	14,252	48,319	23,784
1956: July-Oct.	42,017	23,997	36,594	66,751	15,456	9,814	38,516	19,708
1955: July	8,434	6,187	7,400	17,037	2,470	3,790r	11,360	5,171
August	13,123	6,515	6,956	17,158	2,045	3,797r	10,662	7,082
September	18,203	6,331	7,062	32,723	4,886	2,828	13,232	6,716
October	23,301	5,589	8,407	21,023	2,946	3,837	13,065	4,815
1956: July	7,426	5,362	8,364	17,921	3,244	1,687r	8,220r	6,046
August	8,562r	7,070	9,029	16,817	3,635	2,755r	9,978	5,511
September	9,621	6,027	8,062	14,705	3,097	2,858	8,858	4,504
October	16,408	5,538	11,139	17,308	5,480	2,514	11,460	3,647

## 27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Internal Combustion Engines	Electric Motors		Motor Bodies *	Pedal Cycles
		Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
		Number			
Year : 1950-51	23,746	369,684	34,166	8,866	29,156
1951-52	22,480	417,945	34,255	9,276	28,701
1952-53	12,126	353,820	21,251	9,431	21,766
1953-54	17,482	682,480	22,410	21,956	23,405
1954-55	17,281	851,460	30,493	26,777	28,253
1955-56p	48,626	752,959	30,327	31,792	27,693
1955: July-Oct.	9,386	293,814	11,464	10,958	10,823
1956: July-Oct.	24,394	197,901	8,062	10,661	8,351
1955: July	2,307	63,243	2,730	2,709	2,425
August	1,858	71,601	3,113	2,983	2,678
September	2,438	75,368	3,030	2,794	2,877
October	2,783	83,602	2,591	2,472	2,843
1956: July	2,645	42,097	2,088	2,318	1,813
August	4,069	51,290	1,969	2,857	2,206
September	6,425	48,655	1,661	2,493	2,074
October	11,255	55,859	2,344	2,993	2,258

Period	Soap †				Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents)
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
	Cwt.				
Year : 1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696‡
1951-52	265,115	710,139	56,189	106,550	55,246
1952-53	231,759	692,804	67,475	87,007	44,014
1953-54	265,438	666,303	75,213	98,401	60,073
1954-55	291,493	712,876	91,277	117,532	50,096
1955-56p	262,306	695,751	98,399	126,454	42,583
1955: July-Oct.	89,825	220,352	31,259	41,722	14,014
1956: July-Oct.	90,703	205,690	31,087	37,570	11,273
1955: July	22,486	55,382	7,063	9,768	3,301
August	21,237	71,091	9,661	11,100	3,652
September	25,290	43,329	7,272	11,867	3,779
October	20,812	50,550	7,263	8,987	3,282
1956: July	25,514	47,574	8,201	10,277	2,621
August	21,529	50,157	9,334	9,225	3,198
September	23,344	56,991	7,817	8,481	2,556
October	20,316	50,968	5,735	9,587	2,898

Period	Sulphuric Acid	Sulphate of Ammonia	Mattresses		
			Wire	Inner Spring	Other
Tons					
Year : 1950-51	112,151	37,222	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52	117,035	43,549	67,264	128,104	118,942
1952-53	124,359	48,078	80,961	148,554	98,352
1953-54	147,777	52,785	109,340	194,596	97,651
1954-55	184,234	57,242	121,149	215,574	100,209
1955-56p	179,744	53,915	103,925	218,926	84,699
1955: July-October	69,072	18,488	35,662	73,138	34,268
1956: July-October	9,549	19,410	31,552	69,909	24,708
1955: July	17,456	4,541	9,121	16,100	7,806
August	17,450	4,184	10,053	20,381	9,116
September	17,359	4,931	8,818	18,750	8,817
October	16,807	4,832	7,670	17,907	8,529
1956: July	10,452	4,611	6,501	15,542	6,078
August	8,496	5,349	8,676	18,751	6,803
September	8,959	4,913	7,443	17,086	5,711
October	11,642	4,537	8,932	18,530	6,116

\*Excludes conversions, cabins, and bodies assembled from imported panels.  
 † Includes synthetic detergents, but thereafter these are excluded.

† Figures to June, 1954, include  
 ‡ Includes synthetic detergents.



## 28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1955 : May	121	138	164	185	147	110	154	143	142	144	143	224	154
June	72	68	105	55	80	7	9	68	105	60	71	58	63
July	97	72	131	338	100	93	66	119	102	53	40	33	47
August	108	115	146	177	130	124	134	157	147	7	21	31	13
September	88	98	100	114	98	93	91	110	103	92	72	50	82
October	304	307	214	445	291	315	270	221	246	124	134	96	123
November	78	133	98	104	103	100	140	87	103	25	141	101	64
December	76	62	94	35	73	78	76	76	76	310	136	142	244
1956 : January	162	197	199	145	182	135	174	206	189	128	162	91	132
February	386	388	142	265	294	370	384	131	227	402	362	452	398
March	136	396	461	659	372	113	393	503	425	120	245	291	174
April	155	164	264	146	192	170	175	266	230	64	43	57	58
May	258	197	249	252	237	299	203	260	250	127	156	245	150
June	155	163	176	129	161	149	155	156	155	126	198	244	160
July	104	192	215	344	191	115	172	235	204	17	39	102	34
August	29	78	101	22	66	41	89	100	90	45	84	74	59
September	82	75	99	89	86	70	82	99	91	43	32	53	41
October	146	217	257	194	207	161	210	287	251	59	107	179	87

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56
Sheep ... .. mill.	48.9	54.1	53.7	57.5	59.6	59.2	63.0
Sheep shorn ... .. mill.	51.5	52.9	52.7	56.7	59.2	59.6	61.8
Wool produced* .. mill. lb.	437.1	492.1	437.8	556.6	544.9	541.0	593.7

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales (Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8
1952-53	1,136.2	207.2	53.2	1,396.6	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
1953-54	1,108.7	262.7	57.6	1,428.5	19.1	1.9	0.1	21.1
1954-55	1,077.9	251.8	56.9	1,386.6	22.7	3.2	0.3	26.2
1955-56	1,145.3	271.4	66.2	1,482.9	17.5	1.6	...	19.1
1955 : July-Nov.	813.4	194.5	59.1	1,067.0	367.2	71.2	41.3	479.7
1956 : July-Nov.	910.8	247.0	62.5	1,220.3	398.7	127.5	43.9	570.1
1955 : August	156.0	36.6	3.0	195.6	206.8	51.1	3.4	261.3
September	228.0	52.9	13.1	294.0	290.9	62.3	16.5	369.7
October	188.1	45.1	22.2	255.4	368.3	65.5	30.6	464.4
November	165.6	48.4	20.6	234.6	367.2	71.2	41.3	479.7
1956 : August	169.5	43.7	3.1	216.3	151.6	51.0	3.4	206.0
September	256.8	63.2	13.6	333.6	274.7	73.6	17.1	365.4
October	253.0	78.3	22.7	354.0	363.9	111.4	30.7	506.0
November	195.2	56.0	22.7	273.9	398.7	127.5	43.9	570.1

### 31. Wool: Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised				
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured					
Thousand bales *										
£ thousand										
Season: 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521	
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331	
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714	
1950-51	1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204	
1951-52	912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261	
1952-53	1,132.8	207.1	53.3	1,340.8	52.4	122,090	23,153	6,105	151,348	
1953-54	1,106.5	260.8	57.6	1,380.0	44.9	112,084	26,580	6,131	144,795	
1954-55	1,073.6	250.4	56.6	1,341.7	38.9	95,501	22,273	5,225	122,999	
1955-56†	1,149.7	272.9	66.3	1,455.4	33.5	89,166	21,147	5,386	115,699	
1955: July-Nov.	468.3	126.3	18.0	598.6	14.0	35,224	9,397	1,393	46,014	
1956: July-Nov.	529.1	121.1	18.7	653.8	15.1	50,279	11,544	1,860	63,683	
1955: August	45.0	...	...	43.0	2.0	3,317	...	...	3,317	
September	143.7	41.8	...	182.2	3.3	10,394	2,905	...	13,299	
October	110.7	41.9	8.2	157.7	3.1	8,383	3,142	607	12,132	
November	166.6	42.7	9.9	215.8	...	12,929	3,350	786	17,065	
1956: August	68.1	...	...	64.7	3.4	5,881	...	...	5,881	
September	133.7	40.6	...	171.4	2.9	12,887	3,883	...	16,770	
October	163.7	40.5	9.1	210.8	2.5	15,288	3,636	824	19,748	
November	160.4	39.9	9.6	205.8	4.1	15,962	4,019	1,037	21,018	

\*Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis. † Including sales at auction in July, 1956, postponed from June.

### 32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
	Pence per lb.					
1938-39	10.3	July	85.0‡	82.5‡	67.0‡	65.0
1945-46	15.3‡	August	84.0‡	75.0	60.0	69.0
1946-47	23.6	September	83.0	75.0	58.0	75.0
1947-48	37.9	October	84.0	71.0	58.0	73.0p
1948-49	46.8	November	84.0	68.0	58.0	77.0p
1949-50	61.8	December	81.0	70.5	60.0	...
1950-51	145.3	January	80.0	69.0	61.0	...
1951-52	76.5	February	77.0	70.0	61.0	...
1952-53	85.1	March	77.0	70.0	60.0	...
1953-54	81.8	April	79.0‡	69.0	62.0	...
1954-55	70.6	May	82.0	69.0	66.0	...
1955-56	61.6	June	82.5	67.0	67.0‡	...

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

### 33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875‡	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1951-52	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1952-53	13,167	2,836,206	2,702,359	56,670,000	21.0
1953-54	14,865	3,547,624	3,356,888	63,681,000	19.0
1954-55	13,784	3,177,844	2,918,670	37,718,000	12.9
1955-56	14,035	3,064,204	2,937,281	57,149,000	19.5
1956-57p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,713,000	29,000,000	16.9

\* Annual average. † Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

### 34. Wheat: Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period	Export Price*		Home Price for Human Consumption§	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
					For Commercial Export
			s. d. per bushel		Cents (Can.) per bushel
Year: 1938-39	2	5.1	2	5.9	62.0
1947-48	19	4.7	6	0.2	287.9
1948-49	15	8.2	6	8	226.3
	†	‡			
1949-50	15	5.2	18	5.8	218.6
1950-51	16	1	18	8.8	212.3
1951-52	16	4.3	20	9	235.0
1952-53	16	6	21	2	216.5
1953-54	16	7**	16	7**	186.5
1954-55	14	6**	14	6**	173.0
1955-56	13	3**	13	3**	174.0
					175.0
1955: September	13	11.5**	13	11.5**	171.7
October	13	8**	13	8**	172.8
November	13	4**	13	4**	171.9
December	13	4**	13	4**	
1956: January	13	4**	13	4**	172.1
February	13	2**	13	2**	173.4
March	12	9**	12	9**	175.6
April	12	9**	12	9**	175.1
May	12	9**	12	9**	175.0
June	12	9**	12	9**	173.8
July	12	9**	12	9**	173.2
August	12	9**	12	9**	172.5
September	12	9**	12	9**	171.7
October	12	9**	12	9**	

\* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows:—  
1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.

1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.  
§ Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

\*\* For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price.

### 35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56p	1956-57p
	Thousand gallons					
July	13,568	17,593	17,129	15,275	17,673	17,836
August	15,106	19,236	18,750	17,951	20,985	20,408
September	17,600	25,953	22,424	22,310	25,230	22,569
October	24,781	32,800	27,355	28,487	32,697	
November	23,701	33,596	28,525	34,418	35,659	
December	20,451	32,118	24,935	36,798	37,065	
March Qr.	62,177	93,126	86,768	97,325	102,394	
June Qr.	63,825	62,963	56,301	63,155	63,530	
Year ended June	241,209	317,385	282,187	315,719	335,233	
July-September	46,274	62,782	58,303	55,536	63,888	60,813

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

### 36. Butter: Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer†	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
		s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1955: October	3 9.3	4 0.5
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	December	4 1.2	4 0.5
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1956: January	4 0.4	4 0.5
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	February	3 7.9	4 0.5
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	March	3 4.7	4 0.5
1950-51	3 0.4	1 11.1	2 8.2	April	3 0.6	4 0.5
1951-52	3 3.1	2 7.2	3 6.1	May	2 11.3	4 0.5
1952-53	3 6.0	3 8.8	3 11.4	June	3 4.1	4 0.5
1953-54	3 7.7	3 8.8	3 11.5	July	3 0.7	4 2
1954-55	3 6.0	3 8.8	3 10.5	August	2 10.9	4 2
1955-56	3 5.6	4 0.2	3 8.8p	September	3 2.2	4 2
				October	n.y.a.	4 2

\* Weighted average price for choicest butter, f.o.b. Australia. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

### 37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
	£A million f.o.b.					
Year : 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	(—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1952-53	206.9	249.5	42.6	510.3	848.5	338.2
1953-54	277.9	249.3	(—) 28.6	678.5	811.8	133.3
1954-55	343.5	207.6	(—) 135.9	840.9	758.0	(—) 82.9
1955-56	334.2	217.2	(—) 117.0	818.3	771.1	(—) 47.2
1955: July-Oct.	110.0	62.2	(—) 47.8	275.7	226.6	(—) 49.1
1956: July-Oct.	104.5	73.7	(—) 30.8	246.9	275.6	28.7
1955: May	35.2	18.2	(—) 17.0	78.8	66.8	(—) 12.0
June	29.7	19.6	(—) 10.1	74.7	69.0	(—) 5.7
July	22.5	17.2	(—) 5.3	61.5	60.9	(—) 0.6
August	29.3	13.2	(—) 16.1	71.2	48.7	(—) 22.5
September	28.8	13.9	(—) 14.9	74.9	51.4	(—) 23.5
October	29.4	17.9	(—) 11.5	68.1	65.6	(—) 2.5
1956: May	31.1	26.6*	(—) 4.5	71.5	89.9*	18.4
June	25.8	15.2*	(—) 10.6	63.4	72.9*	9.5
July	25.7	13.0	(—) 12.7	57.4	61.0	3.6
August	31.2	15.8	(—) 15.4	78.8	57.8	(—) 21.0
September	23.4	17.9	(—) 5.5	53.6	60.8	7.2
October	24.2	27.0	2.8	57.1	96.0	38.9

\*Affected by industrial dispute.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

### 38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

\* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
	£ million							
July	35.3	49.1	67.5	56.9	62.5	80.3	91.2	86.4
August	34.7	52.1	68.2	59.6	64.0	78.0	94.1	82.8
September	39.9	56.2	74.0	60.2	76.8	86.6	83.4	99.2
October	43.6	57.8	68.6	61.7	65.9	85.2	96.0	92.1
November	39.3	44.9	56.3	62.1	77.4	81.1	83.5	
December	50.2	61.2	81.7	60.4	72.0	74.3	84.3	
March Qr.	127.2	164.5	186.1	179.7	207.0	234.5	239.4	
June Qr.	153.5	201.0	196.4	188.6	226.0	253.0	275.4	
Year ended June	523.7	686.8	798.8	729.2	851.6	955.0	1,047.3	
July-October	153.5	215.2	278.3	238.4	269.2	312.1	364.7	360.5

\* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

### 39. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number		Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.					
Year: 1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	— 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	— 10.0		
1953	303	302	+ 4.8	— 20.1	— 0.3	— 3.9		
1954	302	301	+ 8.0	+ 9.4	+ 7.1	+ 2.9		
1955	301	303	+ 3.5	+ 9.1	+ 9.2	+ 2.6		
1955: May	26	26	+ 4.6	+ 9.0	+ 10.9	+ 3.4	+ 5.5	+ 10.1
June	25	25	+ 4.4	+ 8.5	+ 11.5	+ 3.7	+ 4.7	+ 10.7
July	27	27	+ 3.7	+ 9.6	+ 8.4	+ 4.4	+ 4.3	+ 10.3
Aug.	26	27	+ 3.7	+ 10.1	+ 12.7	+ 3.3	+ 3.9	+ 10.9
Sept.	26	26	+ 4.9	+ 7.6	+ 8.9	+ 2.7	+ 4.1	+ 10.0
Oct.	25	25	+ 1.2	+ 7.7	+ 6.5	+ 0.8	+ 3.2	+ 9.4
1956: May	26	27	+ 1.4	+ 4.0	+ 8.1	— 2.3	+ 1.9	+ 6.8
June	25	25	— 1.2	+ 1.5	+ 2.5	— 2.9	+ 0.7	+ 4.6
July	26	26	— 2.2	— 1.9	+ 1.3	— 3.5	— 0.5	+ 4.1
Aug.	27	27	+ 0.2	— 1.2	+ 3.7	— 3.9	— 0.9	+ 2.5
Sept.	26	25	— 9.9	— 0.2	— 1.2	— 4.9	— 4.0	+ 1.3
Oct.	25	25	+ 3.8	— 0.4	+ 7.5	— 3.4	— 2.0	+ 3.2

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

## BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 overseas banks.

#### 40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1953 : June	1,239.0	3.5	76.6	100.5	115.7	300.8	601.8
1955 : June	1,307.2	4.6	65.4	27.8	124.6	245.8	817.7
1956 : June	1,260.4	22.4	65.7	28.9	120.9	227.7	793.9
1955 : August	1,264.2	2.2	67.0	22.0	110.4	231.9	820.4
September	1,257.7	4.0	65.4	23.6	106.2	231.9	823.1
October	1,277.0	3.6	64.1	27.5	106.8	231.9	831.4
1956 : August	1,234.4	13.6	68.5	28.9	116.3	223.4	787.0
September	1,248.5	10.2	71.4	37.4	119.9	223.4	778.5
October	1,281.5	5.8	64.3	51.9	124.6	225.9	780.2
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK*							
1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1953 : June	135.7	4.1	11.9	31.3	15.2	32.3	59.7
1955 : June	181.1	0.3	11.6	8.9	39.7	33.9	98.5
1956 : June	179.1	0.3	10.2	5.0	35.7	31.9	101.9
1955 : August	179.8	0.3	9.5	5.7	39.2	32.7	105.4
September	180.8	0.3	10.4	4.1	40.0	32.7	106.0
October	185.2	0.3	10.8	8.5	40.0	32.7	105.0
1956 : August	179.1	0.3	9.3	4.0	36.3	31.2	106.0
September	178.9	0.3	9.6	4.0	37.2	31.2	106.2
October	181.9	0.4	9.9	2.8	36.5	31.7	108.2
ALL TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1953 : June	1,428.0	7.9	94.4	138.7	144.6	334.1	724.8
1955 : June	1,544.7	5.6	81.8	40.7	177.8	280.7	990.8
1956 : June	1,496.1	24.3	79.6	37.4	171.5	260.4	972.4
1955 : August	1,497.2	3.9	80.3	30.9	163.3	265.4	999.8
September	1,491.2	5.6	79.3	30.6	160.1	265.4	1,004.4
October	1,515.0	5.6	78.7	39.4	160.8	265.4	1,012.3
1956 : August	1,467.8	14.8	81.0	34.7	167.5	255.4	968.9
September	1,481.7	11.0	84.9	43.4	171.8	255.4	959.9
October	1,517.6	7.6	77.8	57.0	176.0	253.4	964.9

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.

#### 41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				C'wealth Trading Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits			Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits	Advances
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
	£ million							
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8	153.6
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0	199.7
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8	276.6
1953 : June	379.7	68.9	448.6	243.7	74.0	26.5	557.5	314.7
1955 : June	387.4	88.2	475.6	342.5	96.1	43.0	609.9	436.6
1956 : June	363.6	87.2	450.8	329.7	93.3	44.1	582.7	426.5
1955 : August	371.7	90.7	462.4	342.7	94.8	46.0	594.3	440.0
Sept.	367.4	87.9	455.3	343.8	94.7	45.3	586.6	441.5
Oct.	373.9	86.5	460.4	348.3	96.3	45.2	593.5	446.3
1956 : August	351.9	94.1	446.0	329.0	94.2	45.7	577.5	426.8
Sept.	351.5	95.4	446.9	325.4	94.6	45.3	578.5	422.6
Oct.	363.2	92.0	455.2	325.8	95.7	46.0	587.5	424.9

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.



#### 42. Trading Banks: Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57
Weekly Average—£ million								
July	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0	163.7	181.8	201.7	214.6
August	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1	145.6	170.6	186.9	189.0
September	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0	167.7	179.7	193.7	201.0
October	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7	168.3	190.3	202.9	221.8
November	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8	173.0	185.8	216.1	226.1
December	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8	187.1	194.5	214.1	
January	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6	151.9	173.8	183.9	
February	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2	164.8	188.3	187.1	
March	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4	184.7	186.0	199.8	
April	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7	166.2	185.5	201.2	
May	122.6	167.3	155.9	157.4	183.0	203.3	218.0	
June	121.2	168.2	158.4	160.3	194.9	206.1	203.9	
Year	104.9	145.1	156.6	151.9	171.7	187.5	200.9	

#### 43. Savings Bank Accounts and Depositors' Balances at end of Month

Month	New South Wales				Australia	
	Active Accounts	Depositors' Balances			Active Accounts	Depositors' Balances
		C'wealth Savings Bank	Other Savings Banks	Total		
	Thousand	£ thousand			Thousand	£ thousand
1939-June	1,330	87,474	.....	87,474	3,858	245,587
1948 "	2,013	236,964	.....	236,964	5,728	681,318
1949 "	2,072	244,483	.....	244,483	5,890	714,232
1950 "	2,138	258,874	.....	258,874	6,105	762,085
1951 "	2,194	284,466	.....	284,466	6,307	837,444
1952 "	2,247	304,532	.....	304,532	6,494	881,898
1953 "	2,279	319,149	.....	319,149	6,633	947,497
1954 "	2,308	339,797	.....	339,797	6,756	1,010,129
1955 "	2,336	358,645	.....	358,645	6,861	1,073,394
1956 "	2,463	363,833	22,843	386,676	7,153r	1,141,119r
1955: August	2,299	358,890	.....	358,890	6,801	1,080,658
September	2,306	359,521	.....	359,521	6,813	1,083,354
October	2,312	362,247	.....	362,247	6,831	1,089,501
1956: August	2,458	361,936	32,790	394,726	7,172	1,163,220r
September	2,476	363,383	36,287	399,670	7,209	1,175,397
October	2,494	362,962	40,246	403,208	7,250	1,184,164

#### 44. Overseas Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg.100	£A. to £N.Z.100	£A. to £S.A.100	Canadian \$ to £A.1	U.S. \$ to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Rupees to £A.1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946-June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949 "	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950 "	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951 "	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.66	10.64
1953 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.71	111.76	10.64
1954 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.25	784.84	112.15	10.64
1955 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.23	780.74	111.71	10.64
1956 "	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.20	2.24	783.64	111.12	10.65
1956: July	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.23	782.62	110.98	10.65
August	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	783.23	111.06	10.65
September	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.17	2.22	783.73	111.13	10.65
October	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.16	2.22	784.81	111.51	10.65
November	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.14	2.22	784.10	111.37	10.65

## 45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	First Mortgages Registered*	Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡				Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis- count)
		Short- dated : 2 years	Long- dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits			Over- draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000 §	
				3 months	24 months					
					To £10,000	Over £10,000				
Per cent. per annum										
Year : 1938-39	5.4	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75	1.75
1945-46	4.6	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950-51	4.4	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951-52	4.4	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1952-53	4.7	3.03	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1953-54	4.9	3.10	4.44	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1954-55	5.2	3.49	4.50	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00
1955-56	5.8	4.39	4.76	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
1955 : November	5.6	4.07	4.52	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00
December	5.7	4.19	4.53	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00
1956 : January	5.8	4.13	4.54	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00
February	5.8	4.26	4.57	1.25	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00
March	5.9	4.68	5.12	2.25	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.50	1.25	1.00
April	5.9	4.97	5.18	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
May	6.0	5.02	5.19	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
June	6.1	5.13	5.34	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
July	6.2	4.68	5.15	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
August	6.3	4.70	5.05	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
September	6.4	4.99	5.04	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
October	6.5	4.68	5.05	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00
November	6.6	4.60	5.07	2.25	3.00	3.00	6.00	2.75	2.75	1.00

\* Weighted average rate on first mortgages registered, where mortgagee is a corporation (other than a bank or a building society), or an individual. Mortgages taken by Government Agencies are excluded. Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Rate current at end of Period.

§ £500 to £1,300 until March, 1942; £500 to £1,500 from June, 1954 to March, 1956. From 1st April, 1956 the rate on excess over £1,000 up to £1,500 is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent.

## 46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business in New South Wales is extensive. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 34 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure. Minor revisions were made in the composition of the index in August, 1956.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	4 Pastoral and Finance Companies	4 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
1952 : June	358.2	257.1	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
1953 : June	363.6	265.2	192.8	544.4	254.4	253.7
1954 : June	381.3	310.1	217.7	574.7	274.5	282.2
1955 : June	426.6	403.4	247.0	578.5	314.5	314.8
1955 : Dec.	424.9	411.4	258.8	575.6	313.9	312.7
1956 : Jan.	429.1	420.0	259.1	581.6	316.1	315.5
Feb.	425.6	419.0	258.8	578.9	314.2	313.5
Mar.	418.0	407.5	251.3	557.5	307.9	304.0
Apr.	415.7	404.6	244.0	560.1	305.7	302.2
May	410.9	387.2	238.2	562.6	301.1	299.2
June	399.7	377.7	234.5	566.3	295.5	293.2
July	397.8	370.8	242.4	573.7	294.4	294.0
Aug.	405.1	376.2	249.7	608.2	300.1	303.9
Sept.	416.2	376.5	253.0	643.6	305.8	309.7
Oct.	423.8	377.0	261.2	661.9	308.2	312.2
Nov.	416.8	368.9	257.6	680.2	304.6	307.2

\* Including 34 miscellaneous companies.

# 47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Lien†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number	£ thousand				
Year :						
1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1952-53	82,905	143,909	68,590	462	3,428	2,513
1953-54	92,380	188,032	76,024	476	3,460	2,698
1954-55	98,666	218,799	91,686	544	3,654	2,550
1955-56	91,143	230,300	117,023	896	4,123	2,886
1955: July-Nov.	39,258	105,089	52,772	646	1,619	1,208
1956: July-Nov.	n.y.a.	97,121	50,896	822	2,015	1,364
1955: August	9,764	22,956	13,581	400	329	242
September	7,545	16,757	8,530	53	269	220
October	6,622	24,045	8,200	101	282	156
November	6,580	19,357	9,141	68	257	228
1956: August	8,130	19,779	11,593	44	481	76
September	7,032	16,680	8,191	115	388	300
October	n.y.a.	22,268	10,237	71	331	354
November	n.y.a.	18,137	10,487	101	375	244

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated ; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

## 48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

### (a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year†:					
1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1943	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	69,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952	110,992	81,270	99,573	13,342	94,612
1953	111,437	86,501	98,547	13,590	100,091
1954	110,302	97,247	91,554	13,313	110,560
1955	122,516	110,606	86,691	13,520	124,126
1955: Jan.-August	72,096	66,340	54,423	8,408	74,748
1956: Jan.-August	72,520	70,642	56,391	8,745	79,387
1955: June	11,387	10,874	8,745	1,383	12,257
July	13,458	11,079	6,590	1,023	12,102
August	11,220	10,091	8,258	1,315	11,406
1956: June	9,584	10,275	8,294	1,290	11,565
July	8,861	9,866	7,857	1,257	11,123
August	9,826	10,697	8,075	1,299	11,996

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

‡ Total of monthly figures.

### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
Year :				
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1953	14,775	1,436	2,426	18,637
1954	14,298	1,500	1,901	17,699
1955	22,039	1,873	1,972	25,884
1955: Jan.-August	13,648	1,179	1,321	16,148
1956: Jan.-August	12,555	1,558	1,077	15,190
1955: June	3,258	170	138	3,566
July	1,127	142	172	1,441
August	1,793	166	140	2,099
1956: June	1,486	209	93	1,788
July	1,685	203	276	2,164
August	1,645	222	121	1,988

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 49. Commonwealth Government: Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-November		Item	July-November	
	1955	1956		1955	1956
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Taxes—			Social Services—		
Customs ... ..	39,290	31,619	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	39,662	46,215
Excise ... ..	63,879	88,236	Child Endowment ... ..	25,257	26,369
Sales ... ..	44,221	50,607	Hospital Benefits ... ..	4,361	4,488
Income Tax and Social Services Contribution ... ..	121,278	112,729	Pharmaceutical Benefits ... ..	4,060	3,726
Payroll ... ..	18,684	20,020	Other ... ..	11,912	13,755
Estate ... ..	4,221	4,940	Total, Social Services ... ..	85,252	94,553
Other ... ..	744	780	To States—		
Total Taxes ... ..	292,317	308,931	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	52,311	58,015
Post Office ... ..	32,126	35,249	Other ... ..	24,888	28,633
Broadcasting and Television ... ..	1,815	2,064	Capital Works ... ..	44,742	41,364
Railways ... ..	1,706	1,959	Post Office† ... ..	32,470	35,625
Territories ... ..	936	992	Broadcasting and Television ... ..	2,363	3,079
Other ... ..	18,485	12,214	Railways† ... ..	1,245	1,494
Total Revenue* ... ..	347,385	361,409	Territories† ... ..	5,302	6,547
			Defence Services ... ..	63,561	74,715
			War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45† ... ..	31,186	32,767
			Subsidies ... ..	6,812	5,243
			Debt Charges ... ..	32,963	33,907
			Other ... ..	33,444	36,646
			Total Expenditure* ... ..	416,539	452,588

\* Excludes self-balancing items in the five months ended November amounting to £4,255,000 in 1955 and £2,865,000 in 1956.

† Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Repatriation in the five months ended November (£2,014,000 in 1955 and £2,312,000 in 1956) is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £10,000,000 in 1955 and £6,059,000 in 1956, and provision of emergency storage for wheat, £2,702,000 in 1955.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of November amounted to £210,000,000 in 1955 and £255,000,000 in 1956.

## 50. New South Wales Government: Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-November		Item	July-November	
	1955	1956		1955	1956
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Governmental—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ... ..	13,017	14,537
From Commonwealth—			Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..	1,681	2,050
Towards Interest ... ..	1,216	1,216	Net Debt Charges ... ..	11,336	12,487
Reimbursement of Taxes ... ..	20,497	21,869	Other than Debt Charges—		
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ..	7,307	8,797	Governmental ... ..	37,038	40,277
Other Taxes ... ..	2,521	2,410	Business Undertakings—		
Land ... ..	711	771	Railways ... ..	28,486	31,902
Services ... ..	2,048	2,347	Trams and Buses ... ..	5,382	5,769
Other ... ..	5,293	5,257	Sydney Harbour ... ..	818	803
Total Governmental ... ..	39,593	42,667	Total Expenditure ... ..	83,060	91,238
Business Undertakings—					
Railways ... ..	31,713	32,917			
Trams and Buses ... ..	4,840	5,724			
Sydney Harbour ... ..	1,302	1,284			
Total Revenue ... ..	77,448	82,592			

Loan Expenditure on works and services in the five months ended November was gross £16,816,000 and net (i.e., gross, less repayments to loan account) £16,545,000 in 1955, compared with gross £19,748,000 and net £18,530,000 in 1956.

### 51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
Σ (a) Σ (b)	45.63 49.05	17.06 18.34	11.36 12.21	6.83 7.34	6.63 7.13	... 100.00	100.00 ...
Year :							
1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1952-53	616	445	313	504	314	505	493
1953-54	615	411	325	450	338	496	474
1954-55	538	357	313	511	344	450	431
1955-56	464	324p	320	562	355p	414p	397p
1955 :							
August	453	351	313	538	365	411	395
September	437	334	313	545	398	404	388
October	437	329	337	543	408	406	390
November	437	323	364	549	383	407	391
December	453	315	368	575	364p	414p	398p
1956 :							
January	460	313	361	590	348p	416p	400p
February	460	311	328	592	331p	411p	395p
March	453	312	304	592	322p	404p	388p
April	468	310	273	579	317p	406p	390p
May	498	316rp	265	556	324p	420rp	403rp
June	505	316rp	299	548	335p	428rp	411p
July	490	323rp	272	549	343p	419rp	403p
August	520	326rp	261	558	347p	434rp	416rp
September	558p	326p	284	562	353p	456p	437p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) including Gold and (b) excluding Gold. || Nominal.

### 52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Commodities are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco *	Goods Principally Imported †	Goods Principally Home-produced *	Total, All Groups *
Year :								
1938-39	103	82	97	99	101	99	103	100
1950-51	256	641	268	264	229	256	240	244
1951-52	343	577	370	321	276	288	300	297
1952-53	392	607	404	350	293	292	331	319
1953-54	388	566	363	332	308	271	339	319
1954-55	391	510	372	330	315	277	340	322
1955-56	404	456	415	345	325	292	352	334
1955 :								
July	397	486	398	338	329	281	355	333
Aug.	397	452	398	337	328	282	353	332
Sept.	405	441	398	340	327	290	351	333
Oct.	405	441	398	340	324	289	350	332
Nov.	404	437	407	342	320	291	346	330
Dec.	404	447	407	342	319	291	346	329
1956 :								
Jan.	405	453	407	343	320	288	348	330
Feb.	405	453	408	343	318	288	346	329
Mar.	405	446	425	350	328	299	354	338
April	403	456	442	353	328	303	355	339
May	410	477	444	357	333	304	361	344
June	409	482	444	357	328	299	358	341
July	410	461	444	358	330p	301p	360p	343p
Aug.	409	481	445	362	329p	303p	361p	344p
Sept.	411p	513	467	368p	329p	309p	363p	347p

\* Reconstructed as from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions.

† Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This index does not measure changes in import prices generally.



### 53. Wholesale Price Indexes: Various Countries.

The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely according to the intended purposes of the indexes of the respective countries. For the United Kingdom and France, the current indexes are not available on a pre-war base.

Base : Average for 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Australia *	New Zealand	South Africa	Canada	U.S.A. †	Sweden	United Kingdom ‡ \$   ¶		France	India
Year : 1936-37	99	96	97	101	104	98	Base: 30th June, 1949=100		Base: 1949=100	Base: Year ended August, 1939=100
1937-38	101	102	103	104	101	103				
1938-39	100	102	100	95	95	99				
1951-52	297	243	252	229	213	285	175	128	145	414
1952-53	319	252	269	216	209	278	152	126	141	386
1953-54	319	248	270	214	209	268	143	125	137	397
1954-55	322	249	274	211	208	272	147	127	135	365
1955-56	334	253	283	217	212	290	155	133	139	373
1956 : Jan.	330	252	284	217	212	292	155	133	139	376
Feb.	329	252	284	217	213	293	155	134	143	378
Mar.	338	254	283	218	213	295	156	135	140	387
Apr.	339	256	283	219	215	296	155	135	141	391
May	344	257	282	220	216	295	156	135	143	390
June	341	258	281	221	216	298	155	135	141	398
July	343p	262	281	221	216	294	154	136	140	409
Aug.	344p	265	282	222	217	294p	156	136	142	419

\* Reconstructed as from the base period by excluding potatoes and onions.

† Current series linked as at January, 1947, to former series to show movement prior to that date. ‡ Compilation of the general wholesale price index previously published ceased after December, 1955. § Basic materials (excluding fuel) used in non-food manufacturing industry. ¶ All manufactured products other than fuel, food and tobacco.

### 54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Food and Groceries		Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "C" Series Index†	
1939 : September	930		1039	841	939	933	
1945 : June	1040		1043	1410	1163	1141	
1947 : June	1096		1044	1540	1187	1194	
1949 : June	1384		1048	1980	1347	1425	
1951 : June	1943		1051	2819	1689	1875	
1952 : June	2727		1089	3098	1997	2284	
1953 : June	2669		1274	3305	2044	2360	
1954 : June	2703		1320	3257	2045	2373	
1955 : June	2835		1332	3267	2031	2423	
September	2907		1342	3276	2040	2455	
December	2936		1348	3279	2064	2471	
	(c)	(d)				(a)	(b)
1956 : March	2986	2906	1355	3267	2074	2490	2461
June	3128	2979	1359	3279	2135	2556	2501
September	3351	3060	1360	3295	2267	2665	2559

(b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Sydney		Newcastle		Broken Hill		Goulburn		Bathurst		Five Towns*	
1939 : September	933		897		943		914		881		930	
1945 : June	1141		1099		1193		1111		1089		1138	
1947 : June	1194		1150		1237		1160		1147		1191	
1949 : June	1425		1393		1504		1421		1393		1424	
1951 : June	1875		1853		1939		1858		1825		1874	
1952 : June	2284		2231		2360		2277		2228		2281	
1953 : June	2360		2283		2397		2292		2354		2354	
1954 : June	2373		2319		2425		2329		2383		2369	
1955 : June	2423		2388		2439		2398		2424		2420	
September	2455		2409		2464		2445		2455		2451	
December	2471		2425		2487		2472		2474		2468	
	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)
1956 : March	2490	2461	2444	2419	2489	2465	2504	2464	2482	2445	2487	2458
June	2556	2501	2499	2447	2531	2491	2548	2497	2520	2470	2551	2497
September	2665	2559	2604	2503	2644	2539	2656	2548	2626	2524	2659	2554

\*Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

(a) Aggregate, all groups. (b) All groups excluding price movements of potatoes and onions, cumulated as from September Quarter, 1955. (c) Aggregate, food and groceries group. (d) Food and groceries group excluding price movements of potatoes and onions, cumulated as from September Quarter, 1955.

## 55. Basic Wages: Sydney, Adult Males and Females

State and Commonwealth Awards					Month of Change	State Awards		Commonwealth Awards	
Month of Change	Amount per week— Males	Month of Change	Amount per week			Amount per week	Amount per week		
			Males	Females *			Males	Females	
1947: Feb. May Nov.	s. 108 110 112	1950: Dec.	s. 165†	s. d. 123 6	1955: Nov.	s. 253	s. d. 189 6	s.	s. d.
1948: Feb. May Aug. Nov.	114 116 120 122	1951: Feb.	173	129 6	1956: Feb. May June Aug. Nov.	255	191 0	253†	189 6†
		May	180	135 0		256	192 0		
		Aug.	193	144 6		263	197 0		
		Nov.	207	155 0					
1949: Feb. May Aug. Nov.	124 127 130 132	1952: Feb.	216	162 0					
		May	223	167 0					
		Aug.	235	176 0					
		Nov.	237	177 6					
1950: Feb. May Aug. Nov.	135 138 142 146	1953: Feb.	238	178 6					
		May	241	180 6					
		Aug.	243‡	182 0‡					

\* None declared by Commonwealth Arbitration Court until December, 1950. Under State Awards, the amount shown represents the minimum wage per week payable to adult females.

† Increase resulting from judgment of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court.

‡ Quarterly adjustments for movements in retail prices were suspended in September, 1953, in both Commonwealth and State Awards. They were restored in State Awards in N.S.W. in November, 1955.

## 56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939: Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945: Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947: June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
1948: June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3402	40.0	40.0
1949: June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3975	40.0	40.0
1950: June	179.3	114.3	3499	4206	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5150	40.0	40.0
1951: June	228.6	151.0	4461	5558	40.0	40.0
Dec.	255.0	171.1	4975	6296	40.0	40.0
1952: June	270.4	183.1	5277	6738	40.0	40.0
Dec.	284.7	193.9	5555	7138	40.0	40.0
1953: June	289.8	196.7	5655	7240	40.0	40.0
Dec.	296.6	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
1954: June	296.7	198.5	5790	7305	40.0	40.0
Dec.	298.3	198.6	5820	7311	40.0	40.0
1955: Mar.	302.2	201.0	5896	7398	40.0	40.0
June	302.6	201.0	5904	7398	40.0	40.0
Sept.	303.1	201.7	5914	7424	40.0	40.0
Dec.	310.1	205.2	6051	7553	40.0	40.0
1956: Mar.	312.9	205.9	6106	7579	40.0	40.0
June	317.3	211.4	6192	7779	40.0	40.0
Sept. p	321.8	212.8	6278	7834	40.0	40.0

\* Base: Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.  
Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

† Base: Weighted average for

‡ Forty-hour week under State Awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth Awards from 1st January, 1948.

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